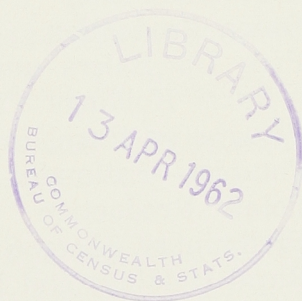


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Period	Marriages	Births	Deaths	Natural Increase (a)	Net Migration (b)	Population	
						Whole State (c)	Metro-politan(d)
1951-52	20,747	51,757	24,039	27,718	40,198	2,344,491	1,330,800
1952-53	19,302	54,108	22,514	31,594	19,169	2,395,254	1,359,100
1953-54	19,567	53,910	23,054	30,856	26,231	2,452,341	1,388,800
1954-55	19,454	55,497	22,407	33,090	31,798	2,517,229	1,544,500
1955-56	20,378	57,627	22,657	34,970	41,269	2,593,468	1,595,300
1956-57	19,889	59,185	24,355	34,830	27,959	2,656,257	1,677,100
1957-58	21,293	60,136	23,831	36,305	25,920	2,718,482	1,726,100
1958-59	20,293	62,799	25,107	37,692	29,731	2,785,905	1,777,700
1959-60	20,804	62,518	24,488	38,030	33,454	2,857,389	1,831,100
1960-61	20,714	66,049	24,546	41,503	31,352	2,930,244(e)	1,912,063(e)
1957 - Dec. Qr.	5,926	15,689	5,868	9,821	(-) 1,733	2,680,555	n.a.
1958 - Mar. Qr.	5,146	15,187	4,949	10,238	14,123	2,704,916	n.a.
June Qr.	5,586	14,302	5,857	8,445	5,121	2,718,482	1,726,100
Sep. Qr.	4,028	15,968	7,019	8,949	4,096	2,731,527	n.a.
Dec. Qr.	5,889	15,812	5,800	10,012	3,626	2,745,165	n.a.
1959 - Mar. Qr.	5,312	14,715	5,609	9,106	15,507	2,769,778	n.a.
June Qr.	5,064	16,304	6,679	9,625	6,502	2,785,905	1,777,700
Sep. Qr.	4,246	15,465	6,860	8,605	5,463	2,799,973	n.a.
Dec. Qr.	5,834	15,761	5,930	9,831	1,625	2,811,429	n.a.
1960 - Mar. Qr.	5,277	15,229	5,584	9,645	21,365	2,842,439	n.a.
June Qr.	5,447	16,063	6,114	9,949	5,001	2,857,389	1,831,100
Sep. Qr.	4,078	17,019(f)	7,861(f)	9,158(f)	8,487	2,875,034	n.a.
Dec. Qr.	5,825	15,714(f)	4,988(f)	10,726(f)	2,530	2,888,290	n.a.
1961 - Mar. Qr.	5,510	16,465(f)	5,655(f)	10,810(f)	15,095	2,914,195	n.a.
June Qr.	5,301	16,851	6,042	10,809	5,240	2,930,244(e)	1,912,063(e)
Sep. Qr.	4,381	16,371	6,997	9,374	3,663	2,943,281	n.a.

(a) Excess of Births over Deaths.

(b) Excess of interstate and oversea arrivals over departures. Interstate migration relates to recorded movements by rail, sea, and air, and certain special movements by road.

(c) At end of each period. Figures of inter-censal estimates (1954-1961) have been adjusted in accordance with the preliminary result of the June, 1961, Census.

(d) At middle of each period to 1955-56 and at the end of each period thereafter. Metropolitan statistical division was re-defined and enlarged in 1954 and 1961.

(e) Preliminary Census figure - subject to amendment.

(f) Owing to changes in the registration procedure, figures for September and December quarters, 1960, and March quarter, 1961 are not strictly comparable with those for corresponding quarters of other years.

n.a. Not available.

NOTE : Population increase of the State is the sum of natural increase and net migration.



3.

**WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT : VICTORIA**  
**(Excluding Rural Workers, Female Private Domestics, and Defence Forces)**  
('000)

Month	Total Employees			Total Employees in Main Industrial Groups				
	Govern- ment (a)	Private Employ- ers	Total	Fac- tories	Building and Con- struc- tion	Trans- port and Comm- unica- tion	Commerce and Finance	Pro- fessional and Personal Services (b)
<b>MALES</b>								
1959-June	169.3	434.1	603.4	254.1	50.7	75.9	105.0	58.6
1960-June	168.9	454.5	623.4	268.1	50.7	75.3	108.9	61.2
1961-June	174.9	443.3	618.2	254.5	51.9	79.0	109.5	62.8
1960 -								
Sep.	166.8	458.9	625.7	270.2	50.0	74.8	109.7	61.9
Oct.	166.5	461.6	628.1	271.3	50.2	75.0	110.4	62.0
Nov.	166.4	r463.7	r630.1	r272.1	50.7	74.5	111.5	62.0
1961 -								
Sep.	174.7	436.8	611.5	250.7	49.2	77.8	110.0	63.2
Oct.	174.6	441.5	616.1	256.8	48.0	77.5	110.1	63.0
Nov.	174.4	444.1	618.5	258.8	47.3	77.3	111.6	62.9
<b>FEMALES</b>								
1959-June	45.2	207.6	252.8	97.6	1.5	11.6	62.2	69.5
1960-June	46.6	221.5	268.1	106.1	1.7	11.9	65.7	72.3
1961-June	48.6	213.4	262.0	96.7	1.8	12.1	66.2	74.5
1960 -								
Sep.	46.3	223.9	270.2	107.8	1.7	11.9	66.0	72.4
Oct.	46.3	225.0	271.3	108.5	1.8	12.0	66.3	72.4
Nov.	46.4	r227.7	r274.1	r108.9	1.8	12.0	68.6	72.4
1961 -								
Sep.	48.5	213.0	261.5	97.1	1.8	11.9	65.6	74.3
Oct.	48.5	215.0	263.5	r 99.5	1.8	11.9	r 65.3	74.2
Nov.	48.4	219.0	267.4	101.3	1.7	11.9	67.5	74.1
<b>PERSONS</b>								
1959-June	214.5	641.7	856.2	351.7	52.2	87.5	167.2	128.1
1960-June	215.5	676.0	891.5	374.2	52.4	87.2	174.6	133.5
1961-June	223.5	656.7	880.2	351.2	53.7	91.1	175.7	137.3
1960 -								
Sep.	213.1	682.8	895.9	378.0	51.7	86.7	175.7	134.3
Oct.	212.8	686.6	899.4	379.8	52.0	87.0	176.7	134.4
Nov.	212.8	r691.4	r904.2	r381.0	52.5	86.5	180.1	134.4
1961 -								
Sep.	223.2	649.8	873.0	347.8	51.0	89.7	175.6	137.5
Oct.	223.1	656.5	879.6	r356.3	49.8	89.4	r175.4	137.2
Nov.	222.8	663.1	885.9	360.1	49.0	89.2	179.1	137.0

(a) Commonwealth, State, local, and allied governmental authorities.

(b) Includes education, health, hotels, and restaurants.

r : Revised.



Month of Change	Under Commonwealth Awards	Under Determinations of State Wages Boards
	£. s. d.	£. s. d.
1950 - November	7. 3. 0	7. 3. 0
December	8. 2. 0 (b)	8. 2. 0 (b)
1951 - May	8.17. 0	8.17. 0
1952 - May	10.12. 0	10.12. 0
1953 - May	11.12. 0	11.12. 0
August	11.15. 0	11.15. 0
November	..	11.17. 0
1954 - August	..	11.16. 0
1955 - May	..	11.17. 0
1956 - May	..	12.16. 0
June	12. 5. 0 (b)	..
August	..	13. 3. 0
1957 - May	12.15. 0 (b)	..
1958 - May	13. 0. 0 (b)	..
1959 - June	13.15. 0 (b)	13.15. 0 (b)
1961 - July	14. 7. 0 (b)	14. 7. 0 (b)

(a) Covers selected rates but does not include all of the variations since Nov., 1950.

(b) Rates declared subsequent to a Commonwealth basic wage enquiry.

Female rates: Since December, 1950, female rates have been 75% of the corresponding male rates; previously they have varied according to the award or determination under which they were payable.

Note: Up to August, 1953 basic wage rates under Wages Board Determinations generally followed those fixed by the Commonwealth Court of Conciliation and Arbitration. In September, 1953, automatic quarterly adjustments of the basic wage were discontinued by the Commonwealth Court, but were continued for State Wages Board Determinations until August, 1956.

AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS PER EMPLOYED MALE UNIT (a) : VICTORIA  
(£)

Period	Sep. Qr.	Dec. Qr.	March Qr.	June Qr.	Year
1953-54	16.42	17.36	15.86	16.93	16.64
1954-55	17.24	18.04	16.73	18.35	17.59
1955-56	18.30	19.26	17.95	19.61	18.78
1956-57	19.44	20.45	18.78	20.12	19.70
1957-58	19.97	21.27	19.14	20.49	20.22
1958-59	20.52	21.85	19.44	20.97	20.69
1959-60	21.60	22.68	21.52	23.30	22.28
1960-61	23.25	24.44	22.32	23.37	23.34
1961-62	23.58				

(a) Total wages divided by total civil employment expressed in male earnings.

NOTE: Comparisons of trends should be made for complete years. Quarterly averages are affected by seasonal influences.

MINIMUM WEEKLY WAGE RATES (a) : VICTORIA

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End of Month	Rates of Wages (b)				Index Numbers (Base : Australia 1954 = 100)			
	Adult Males		Adult Females		Adult Males		Adult Females	
	Manuf- acturing	All Ind- ustries	Manuf- acturing	All Ind- ustries	Manuf- acturing	All Ind- ustries	Manuf- acturing	All Ind- ustries
			s.d.					
1956-December	307 3	309 7	213 6	220 3	108.8	109.6	107.2	110.6
1957-December	314 5	316 0	220 0	225 0	111.3	111.9	110.5	113.0
1958-December	318 1	319 8	222 8	227 6	112.6	113.2	111.8	114.3
1959-December	342 8	344 2	236 11	241 3	121.3	121.9	119.0	121.2
1960-December	347 10	349 10	241 2	246 7	123.2	123.9	121.1	123.9
1961 September	360 3	361 9	250 3	255 10	127.6	128.1	125.7	128.5
October	360 5	361 10	(c)	(c)	127.6	128.1	(c)	(c)
November	360 6	361 10	(c)	(c)	127.6	128.1	(c)	(c)

- (a) Indexes of weighted average minimum weekly rates payable for a full week's work (excluding overtime) and index numbers of wage rates, as prescribed in awards, determinations, and agreements. The indexes are designed to measure movements in prescribed minimum rates of "wages" as distinct from "salaries". Consequently awards, etc., relating mainly to salary earners are excluded. Rural industries are also excluded.
- (b) The money amounts shown should not be regarded as actual current averages, but as an index of changes expressed in money terms.
- (c) Figures are available only at the end of each quarter.

INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES CAUSING STOPPAGE OF WORK (a) : VICTORIA

Period	Number of Disputes	Workers Involved			Working Days Lost	Estimated Loss in Wages £'000
		Directly	Indirectly (b)	Total		
1956-57	46	20,267	1,015	21,282	20,262	65
1957-58	65	44,701	548	45,249	83,105	287
1958-59	56	15,307	1,172	16,479	42,118	146
1959-60	76	71,686	807	72,493	68,554	255
1960-61	105	76,272	733	77,005	113,046	461
1959 - Dec. Qr.	19	7,552	799	8,351	16,728	60
1960 - Mar. Qr.	27	32,093	2	32,095	27,904	103
June Qr.	19	20,645	-	20,645	20,940	82
Sep. Qr.	21	19,159	-	19,159	15,468	57
Dec. Qr.	31	14,105	-	14,105	38,493	155
1961 - Mar. Qr.	28	13,735	221	13,956	26,283	119
June Qr.	25	29,273	512	29,785	32,802	130
Sep. Qr.	20	5,744	200	5,944	5,380	23

- (a) Refers only to disputes involving a stoppage of work of ten man-days or more.
- (b) Persons thrown out of work at the establishments where the stoppage occurred, but who were not themselves parties to the dispute.



UNEMPLOYMENT, SICKNESS, AND SPECIAL BENEFITS  
NUMBER OF PERSONS ON BENEFITS AND AMOUNTS PAID IN BENEFITS : VICTORIA

Period	Number on Benefit (a)				Amount Paid in Benefits during Period			
	Unem- ployment	Sick- ness	Special		Unem- ployment	Sick- ness	Special	
			Ordinary	Migrants (b)			Ordinary	Migrants (c)
							(£)	
1951-52	220	1,621	262	..	11,215	181,117	23,856	22,752
1952-53	6,168	1,732	358	..	923,732	370,354	58,344	82,222
1953-54	2,698	1,987	458	..	507,676	405,414	78,490	48,552
1954-55	538	1,991	544	..	99,305	387,452	80,358	41,845
1955-56	479	1,684	528	..	74,664	345,171	83,878	43,559
1956-57	3,349	1,607	525	..	530,959	339,414	84,630	70,496
1957-58	5,127	1,604	557	..	1,011,800	406,032	106,158	115,576
1958-59	5,743	1,871	627	419	1,224,299	508,980	126,441	60,556
1959-60	4,267	2,071	742	319	935,501	546,165	148,009	54,077
1960-61	4,884	2,085	879	369	895,640	542,147	175,267	58,495
1958 -								
July	7,442	1,909	601	192	128,807	45,236	9,346	4,280
Aug.	7,435	2,029	614	205	137,362	46,039	10,330	3,660
Sep.	6,735	2,009	604	708	112,751	37,411	9,295	822
Oct.	5,656	1,946	615	101	117,628	45,529	11,154	3,729
Nov.	4,916	1,942	614	178	104,760	41,219	10,563	621
Dec.	5,436	1,842	594	604	75,468	37,956	11,125	4,850
1959 -								
July	6,339	2,011	703	452	127,119	54,753	16,274	7,777
Aug.	6,012	2,099	725	418	102,991	41,913	11,666	11,174
Sep.	5,281	2,127	730	167	104,224	46,351	14,040	1,055
Oct.	4,302	2,131	747	605	98,879	48,976	11,622	1,820
Nov.	3,727	2,194	744	108	67,438	45,652	14,498	503
Dec.	4,044	2,131	731	423	48,761	33,780	9,931	2,586
1960 -								
July	3,531	2,097	782	71	71,588	48,723	13,723	2,428
Aug.	3,052	2,233	797	117	55,712	40,692	10,808	3,425
Sep.	2,584	2,156	809	52	53,586	53,968	14,206	2,135
Oct.	2,009	2,136	835	227	38,574	43,068	12,082	239
Nov.	1,797	2,195	884	55	31,811	41,906	11,532	3,714
Dec.	2,116	2,111	891	123	25,539	45,440	16,433	1,205
1961 -								
July	19,798	2,290	930	1,467	325,279	52,541	18,254	13,181
Aug.	20,302	2,347	929	1,242	373,887	47,069	14,841	13,873
Sep.	19,380	2,344	911	784	321,847	43,371	17,025	12,723
Oct.	14,738	2,316	936	372	355,671	48,320	19,046	10,732
Nov.	13,130	2,378	944	103	281,559	54,771	17,687	5,312
Dec.	13,356	2,378	981	543	214,888	45,939	15,509	678

Source : Department of Social Services.

(a) Average of monthly figures for financial years, and thereafter on benefit on last Saturday of month.

(b) Not available prior to July, 1958.

(c) In reception and training centres.

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX : MELBOURNE  
(Base of Each Group : Year 1952-53 = 100)

7.

Period	Food	Clothing and Drapery	Housing	Household Supplies and Equipment	Miscellaneous	All Groups
1954-55	103.9	101.2	105.4	100.6	99.7	102.0
1955-56	112.2	102.8	113.8	101.6	108.3	108.1
1956-57	117.8	104.9	122.8	105.2	117.8	114.0
1957-58	114.3	108.4	127.3	106.2	118.8	114.4
1958-59	116.1	109.6	129.4	109.2	122.2	116.6
1959-60	120.8	110.7	135.8	110.9	125.5	120.0
1960-61	130.2	112.8	151.2	112.5	129.2	125.9
1960 -						
Sep. Qr.	129.1	111.9	147.2	112.3	128.9	124.9
Dec. Qr.	129.2	112.7	150.2	112.4	129.2	125.5
1961 -						
Mar. Qr.	130.4	112.9	152.5	112.3	129.2	126.1
June Qr.	132.0	113.6	154.9	113.1	129.3	127.1
Sep. Qr.	130.9	113.6	155.0	113.6	129.3	126.8
Dec. Qr.	128.1	114.1	157.7	114.3	129.5	126.5

CONSUMPTION OF MAIN PETROLEUM PRODUCTS : VICTORIA (a)  
( '000 gall.)

Period	Aviation Gasoline	Motor Spirit (b)	Aviation Turbine Fuel	Lighting Kerosine	Power Kerosine	Diesel Oil (c)		Furnace Oil (d)
						Auto-motive	Industrial	
1955-56	8,605	278,405	3,910	14,877	20,357	30,951	47,494	104,664
1956-57	8,557	292,862	6,045	13,753	18,614	37,849	47,030	132,171
1957-58	7,571	312,775	6,778	14,411	18,765	41,719	47,502	135,853
1958-59	6,513	336,485	8,297	15,301	18,721	45,341	51,297	133,079
1959-60	4,369	366,210	17,322	16,909	16,909	49,950	53,348	140,735
1960-61	4,184	392,175	15,352	16,850	16,197	55,905	55,740	114,963
1960 -								
July	299	29,011	1,215	2,116	831	3,801	5,948	14,116
Aug.	361	31,443	1,372	2,011	828	4,048	6,411	11,644
Sept.	350	33,319	1,152	1,575	1,494	4,021	5,277	8,374
Oct.	329	31,201	1,361	1,086	1,229	4,459	4,560	8,946
Nov.	350	30,503	1,410	873	1,684	4,247	4,293	15,174
Dec.	377	34,965	1,163	873	1,681	4,402	3,053	7,663
1961 -								
July	262	29,242	1,084	1,922	803	4,120	5,307	7,554
Aug.	263	33,045	1,283	1,867	828	5,236	5,766	15,510
Sept.	261	33,305	1,395	1,340	974	8,957	5,247	9,138
Oct.	266	33,005	1,376	831	1,120	8,738	4,517	10,416
Nov.	333	35,237	1,391	860	1,459	5,418	4,101	8,856
Dec.	311	34,259	1,323	676	1,288	4,569	3,503	9,441

Source : Division of Fuel, Department of National Development.

(a) State marketing area, which includes the whole of Victoria, plus the Riverina district in N.S.W..

(b) Includes super and standard grades.

(c) Excludes bunker oil.

(d) Excludes refinery fuel.



PRODUCTION STATISTICS : VICTORIA  
SELECTED LIST OF COMMODITIES (a)

Period	Elec- tricity	Gas	Sul- phuric Acid	Super- phos- phate	Brown Coal	Butter (b)	Meat (c)	Flour (Wheaten)
	mill. kWh.	mill. cu. ft.			'000 tons			'000 short tons
1950-51	2,876	11,446	242.0	615.1	7,300	57.98	258.0	488.8
1951-52	2,964	12,525	242.8	633.0	8,096	59.24	267.1	559.2
1952-53	3,193	13,136	220.4	571.3	8,075	57.32	294.7	591.4
1953-54	3,693	13,715	252.9	659.5	8,731	63.61	292.5	473.8
1954-55	4,151	14,290	275.1	722.9	9,668	79.51	320.4	452.5
1955-56	4,647	14,461	296.3	760.2	10,383	90.67	306.8	451.5
1956-57	4,991	15,746	269.2	642.9	10,772	88.60	311.4	450.8
1957-58	5,321	16,684	314.6	773.9	10,859	86.18	374.1	470.8
1958-59	5,704	17,306	308.5	775.2	12,337	88.13	405.9	436.8
1959-60	6,198	17,992	323.1	855.0	14,028	89.39	405.6	419.1
1960-61	6,577	18,029	319.3	867.7	15,730	89.51	359.8	470.2
1959 -								
June	565	1,752	26.4	74.2	1,188	2.34	32.4	39.2
July	606	1,887	21.3	55.4	1,262	3.15	33.1	37.2
Aug.	564	1,792	22.3	53.4	1,209	6.13	27.6	35.6
Sep.	537	1,637	22.6	67.2	1,150	10.16	32.4	51.1
Oct.	516	1,575	21.5	57.5	1,162	13.39	39.2	36.2
Nov.	462	1,321	19.6	41.4	1,123	13.76	40.8	35.4
1960 -								
June	618	1,832	31.6	87.0	1,334	2.01	24.8	34.8
July	638	1,957	26.1	65.7	1,403	3.17	23.7	36.0
Aug.	653	1,913	25.2	71.9	1,423	6.87	23.9	41.4
Sep.	592	1,641	24.3	61.8	1,338	10.51	27.1	45.0
Oct.	562	1,529	23.0	59.0	1,299	13.55	32.5	42.2
Nov.	546	1,441	14.0	44.7	1,239	13.80	38.7	38.8
1961 -								
June	592	1,817	28.1	79.7	1,441	2.82	26.1	37.4
July	656	1,981	24.6	62.0	1,484	4.08	25.0	39.4
Aug.	659	1,885	27.0	79.6	1,576	8.06	29.3	46.0
Sep.	564	1,615	29.1	76.6	1,363	12.13	33.6	42.0
Oct.	555	1,452	24.2	64.3	1,369	15.36	41.9	35.3
Nov.	546	1,352	19.1	51.8	1,414	14.43	43.6	35.5

(a) Particulars of production of other commodities appear in the Victorian Monthly Production Bulletin which is obtainable free of charge on application.

(b) Factory Production only.

(c) Bone-in weight.

NOTE : All figures from July, 1960 are subject to revision.

PRODUCTION STATISTICS : VICTORIA  
SELECTED LIST OF COMMODITIES (a)

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Period	Beer (b)	Clay Bricks	Roofing Tiles	Fibrous Plaster Sheets	Sawn Native Timber	Electric Motors	Motor Bodies	Footwear (c)
	mill. gall.	mill.		'000 sq.yds.	mill. sup.ft.	No.		'000 prs.
1950-51	52.90	178.6	35.02	6,606	329.6	94,490	48,736	13,349
1951-52	56.17	185.2	35.63	7,317	348.5	113,610	49,667	12,443
1952-53	57.88	164.6	32.31	6,754	322.2	102,857	38,069	11,689
1953-54	63.63	198.5	32.65	6,665	339.0	160,219	63,019	13,873
1954-55	68.09	209.2	35.80	7,343	362.3	168,079	66,056	13,724
1955-56	71.59	225.5	39.36	8,069	351.3	175,313	83,213	14,379
1956-57	67.61	208.2	34.01	7,431	342.4	188,309	64,159	15,231
1957-58	69.34	236.4	34.55	7,621	346.4	213,046	90,495	16,199
1958-59	70.26	257.9	37.49	8,297	344.0	260,164	101,721	18,321
1959-60	74.15	283.2	36.91	8,199	350.3	301,431	132,195	21,081
1960-61	77.11	289.8	34.62	7,490	316.8	311,323	132,245	20,224
1959 -								
June	4.52	22.6	2.95	705	29.7	22,269	9,039	1,708
July	5.59	25.3	3.22	724	31.6	24,585	10,591	1,677
Aug.	5.58	22.8	3.20	708	29.2	22,893	10,176	1,853
Sep.	6.32	24.6	3.39	720	31.0	25,624	11,260	2,052
Oct.	6.63	25.1	3.20	704	30.8	24,212	10,536	1,973
Nov.	7.27	22.9	3.06	713	30.0	25,356	10,504	1,965
1960 -								
June	4.53	25.0	3.54	718	31.5	28,737	13,321	1,969
July	5.66	26.0	3.52	708	30.0	24,966	13,294	1,728
Aug.	6.22	27.2	3.75	768	31.7	28,963	14,643	2,045
Sep.	6.09	27.6	3.66	736	30.0	29,555	13,452	1,905
Oct.	6.09	27.5	3.47	724	28.5	29,315	13,227	1,838
Nov.	7.72	26.7	3.49	737	31.0	33,647	14,619	1,912
1961 -								
June	5.02	21.3	2.31	551	24.1	22,238	7,177	1,546
July	5.68	21.6	2.17	521	24.5	21,197	7,235	1,618
Aug.	6.11	22.8	2.69	559	26.6	27,177	6,948	1,867
Sep.	6.40	21.7	2.54	492	24.6	28,247	7,688	1,751
Oct.	7.55	23.7	2.44	548	26.0	29,990	9,162	1,991
Nov.	8.00	22.3	2.79	582	n.a.	32,483	10,719	2,051

(a) Particulars of production of other commodities appear in the Victorian Monthly Production Bulletin which is obtainable free of charge on application.

(b) From 1956-57 onwards represents quantity produced (incl. waste) as recorded by Department of Customs and Excise.

(c) Excludes rubber.

n.a. Not available.

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## NEW HOUSES AND FLATS - NUMBER OF DWELLING UNITS : VICTORIA

Period	Houses (Dwelling Units)				Flats (Dwelling Units)			
	Approved (a)	Com- menced	Com- pleted	Under Constr- uction (b)	Approved (a)	Com- menced	Com- pleted	Under Constr- uction (b)
1951-52	n.a.	23,506	24,088	26,726	n.a.	432	416	881
1952-53	n.a.	16,254	21,284	21,675	n.a.	490	692	685
1953-54	20,963	20,915	21,593	20,995	872	739	689	735
1954-55	23,000	22,674	23,839	19,827	1,157	1,183	781	1,137
1955-56	21,801	21,245	22,652	18,399	776	715	1,273	579
1956-57	19,868	19,649	20,185	17,863	1,259	1,110	897	792
1957-58	22,719	21,933	21,367	18,429	1,380	1,283	1,104	971
1958-59	22,826	22,443	24,329	16,543	1,965	1,826	1,434	1,363
1959-60	24,585	23,201	24,157	15,587	4,480	3,521	2,062	2,822
1960-61	18,432	18,517	22,094	12,010	5,077	4,672	4,183	3,311
1956 -								
Dec. Qr.	4,820	4,812	5,346	17,238	137	263	181	608
1957 -								
Mar. Qr.	5,133	4,923	4,480	17,681	412	280	169	719
June Qr.	5,172	5,071	4,889	17,863	482	446	373	792
Sep. Qr.	5,583	5,153	4,813	18,203	380	327	306	813
Dec. Qr.	5,631	5,133	5,798	17,538	331	259	303	769
1958 -								
Mar. Qr.	5,641	5,732	5,084	18,186	308	323	205	887
June Qr.	5,864	5,915	5,672	18,429	361	374	290	971
Sep. Qr.	6,382	6,089	6,022	18,496	453	355	364	962
Dec. Qr.	5,935	5,428	6,669	17,255	528	321	407	876
1959 -								
Mar. Qr.	4,707	5,438	5,553	17,140	298	526	329	1,073
June Qr.	5,802	5,488	6,085	16,543	686	624	334	1,363
Sep. Qr.	6,077	5,558	5,856	16,245	806	542	415	1,490
Dec. Qr.	6,087	5,878	6,503	15,620	778	771	616	1,645
1960 -								
Mar. Qr.	6,065	5,754	5,509	15,865	1,130	964	392	2,217
June Qr.	6,356	6,011	6,289	15,587	1,766	1,244	639	2,822
Sep. Qr.	6,058	5,904	6,264	15,227	1,985	1,570	917	3,475
Dec. Qr.	5,007	4,986	6,484	13,729	1,686	1,778	1,180	4,073
1961 -								
Mar. Qr.	3,184	3,856	4,713	12,872	544	628	858	3,843
June Qr.	4,183	3,771	4,633	12,010	862	696	1,228	3,311
Sep. Qr.	4,581	4,755	4,517	12,248	733	755	1,260	2,806
Dec. Qr.	4,355	4,486(c)	4,846(c)	11,888(c)	992	713(c)	1,068(c)	2,451(c)

(a) Approvals comprise permits issued by local government authorities and contracts let or day labour work approved by government authorities.

(b) At end of period.

(c) Preliminary estimate.

n.a. Not available.

VALUE OF NEW BUILDINGS : VICTORIA  
(£'000)

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Period	Houses and Flats	Shops	Fac- tories	Business Premises	Educa- tion	Health	Other	Total
<u>COMMENCED</u>								
1957-58	75,620	3,661	16,013	10,893	4,207	5,320	6,419	122,133
1958-59	78,887	6,036	16,599	14,518	5,314	2,157	8,096	131,607
1959-60	90,865	6,495	19,270	17,319	8,990	2,325	8,340	153,604
1960-61	84,173	5,176	21,126	15,380	10,311	5,211	13,999	155,376
1959 -								
Sep. Qr.	20,456	2,482	4,624	4,529	2,292	969	2,240	37,592
Dec. Qr.	21,851	1,297	3,124	4,967	1,992	201	1,732	35,164
1960 -								
June Qr.	25,686	1,205	5,219	2,742	3,121	593	2,151	40,717
Sep. Qr.	27,000	1,761	6,179	4,752	2,353	2,806	2,696	47,547
Dec. Qr.	24,146	1,192	6,311	6,532	2,898	317	2,634	44,030
1961 -								
Mar. Qr.	16,509	1,157	4,047	2,171	1,615	1,459	6,241	33,199
June Qr.	16,518	1,066	4,589	1,925	3,445	629	2,428	30,600
Sep. Qr.	19,809	811	5,452	2,174	2,318	1,204	2,009	33,777

COMPLETED

1957-58	73,196	3,666	19,219	14,391	7,600	6,753	6,931	131,756
1958-59	84,772	4,761	16,096	13,920	4,495	3,993	9,400	137,437
1959-60	87,208	5,382	21,506	15,301	6,521	2,913	9,331	148,162
1960-61	92,334	6,901	26,581	17,193	7,700	2,724	9,719	163,152
1959 -								
Sep. Qr.	20,752	1,137	5,076	3,627	1,303	439	3,310	35,644
Dec. Qr.	23,422	1,474	6,031	3,978	789	1,503	2,934	40,131
1960 -								
June Qr.	23,082	1,653	4,539	3,670	2,335	370	1,715	37,364
Sep. Qr.	24,540	3,053	7,303	4,365	1,336	446	1,917	42,960
Dec. Qr.	26,277	1,998	5,105	4,489	1,288	643	2,346	42,146
1961 -								
Mar. Qr.	19,999	790	8,061	5,174	2,046	843	3,283	40,196
June Qr.	21,518	1,060	6,112	3,165	3,030	792	2,173	37,850
Sep. Qr.	21,982	1,539	6,808	3,783	2,891	708	3,170	40,881

UNDER CONSTRUCTION AT END OF PERIOD

1957-58	59,871	2,114	21,147	13,798	3,126	12,597	10,097	122,750
1958-59	55,658	3,434	22,011	14,791	4,071	11,269	8,945	120,179
1959-60	60,859	4,649	19,935	16,864	6,706	10,740	8,020	127,773
1960-61	54,076	2,966	14,816	15,132	9,387	13,274	12,536	122,187
1959 -								
Sep. Qr.	55,682	4,834	21,580	15,610	5,099	11,810	7,878	122,493
Dec. Qr.	54,518	4,675	18,705	16,660	6,312	10,541	6,699	118,110
1960 -								
June Qr.	60,859	4,649	19,935	16,864	6,706	10,740	8,020	127,773
Sep. Qr.	63,819	3,349	18,902	17,282	7,714	13,120	8,888	133,074
Dec. Qr.	62,014	2,564	20,151	19,329	9,349	12,801	9,205	135,413
1961 -								
Mar. Qr.	58,854	2,942	16,238	16,329	8,937	13,421	12,198	128,919
June Qr.	54,076	2,966	14,816	15,132	9,387	13,274	12,536	122,187
Sep. Qr.	52,162	2,250	13,506	13,622	8,876	13,767	11,412	115,595



## STATE CONSOLIDATED REVENUE FUND (a) : VICTORIA

REVENUE  
(£'000)

Item	1959-60	1960-61	1961-62 (Estimate)	July - December		
				1959-60	1960-61	1961-62
Taxation	37,994	42,142	43,703	15,492	18,086	18,126
Railways	39,032	42,624	42,734	18,799	20,230	20,704
State Coal Mine	362	360	309	175	184	143
Territorial	2,937	2,853	3,003	989	1,159	1,279
Interest	9,313	10,344	11,583	1,730	1,952	2,337
Commonwealth Grants -						
Financial Agreement	2,127	2,127	2,127	1,064	1,064	1,064
Financial Assistance Grants	60,625	67,374	73,049	24,250	26,949	29,219
All Other Revenue	15,920	17,277	17,717	4,935	5,667	5,754
Total	168,310	185,101	194,225	67,434	75,291	78,626

EXPENDITURE  
(£'000)

Item	1959-60	1960-61	1961-62 (Estimate)	July - December		
				1959-60	1960-61	1961-62
Interest, Exchange, etc. (b)	24,362	26,221	29,048	12,157	13,031	13,872
Sinking Fund Contributions	5,300	5,749	6,307	2,568	2,868	3,129
Railways	39,632	42,624	42,734	19,749	20,532	21,045
State Coal Mine	592	622	598	264	280	267
Pensions, etc. (c)	2,472	2,664	2,935	813	865	986
Law and Order	10,591	11,596	12,302	4,763	5,063	5,822
Education	35,308	40,085	43,721	17,216	19,861	22,369
Health	23,339	24,663	25,989	11,524	11,576	12,173
Other Social	3,296	3,674	4,181	1,156	1,425	2,223
All Other Expenditure	23,105	27,033	26,383	8,736	9,661	9,459
Total	167,997	184,931	194,198	78,946	85,162	91,345

(a) Tables on this page have been prepared from information published in the Annual Budget Papers and from the monthly statements issued by the State Treasury.

(b) Excluding interest paid on loans received from the Commonwealth Government for Housing and Soldier Settlement. These amounts are included with "All Other Expenditure".

(c) Excluding Railways pensions which are now included with Railways Expenditure.

MORTGAGES OF REAL ESTATE LODGED FOR REGISTRATION : VICTORIA

(Lodged under Transfer of Land Acts and Property Law Act)

Period	Under £5,000		£5,000 and over		Total (a)	
	No.	Amount	No.	Amount	No.	Amount
		£'000		£'000		£'000
1956-57	31,655	56,592	1,563	22,967	33,218	79,559
1957-58	34,181	62,935	1,913	26,989	36,094	89,924
1958-59	37,471	73,285	2,460	32,375	39,931	105,660
1959-60	40,092	83,125	2,938	46,121	43,030	129,246
1960-61	42,091	88,681	3,996	69,774	46,087	158,455
1960 -						
July	3,853	8,296	324	7,401	4,177	15,697
Aug.	4,316	9,345	352	6,948	4,668	16,293
Sep.	3,977	8,663	334	5,077	4,311	13,740
Oct.	3,994	8,619	373	7,283	4,367	15,902
Nov.	3,888	8,271	368	8,038	4,256	16,309
Dec.	3,692	7,873	406	7,198	4,098	15,071
1961 -						
July	3,076	6,203	314	5,038	3,390	11,241
Aug.	3,421	7,060	304	4,327	3,725	11,387
Sep.	2,985	6,256	247	3,009	3,232	9,265
Oct.	3,188	6,597	296	4,203	3,484	10,800
Nov.	3,070	6,394	268	4,699	3,338	11,093
Dec.	2,953	6,007	262	3,868	3,215	9,875

MORTGAGES CLASSIFIED ACCORDING TO TYPES OF MORTGAGEES : VICTORIA

(£'000)

Period	Banks (a)	Co-operative Housing Societies	Insurance Companies	Commonwealth and State Government Institutions	Others	Total (a)
1956-57	8,371	8,671	16,061	11,447	35,009	79,559
1957-58	12,050	7,790	18,565	15,337	36,182	89,924
1958-59	17,210	8,063	16,636	12,603	51,148	105,660
1959-60	20,495	8,354	19,048	13,097	68,252	129,246
1960-61	19,334	10,363	26,614	12,629	89,515	158,455
1960 -						
July	2,285	743	3,113	892	8,664	15,697
Aug.	2,786	1,111	2,796	1,142	8,458	16,293
Sep.	3,051	1,042	1,673	1,138	6,836	13,740
Oct.	2,763	1,063	2,550	1,108	8,418	15,902
Nov.	1,955	1,025	2,461	955	9,913	16,309
Dec.	1,633	981	2,108	949	9,400	15,071
1961 -						
July	1,448	653	2,186	1,003	5,951	11,241
Aug.	1,553	888	1,218	989	6,739	11,387
Sep.	1,404	911	659	986	5,305	9,265
Oct.	1,120	1,194	1,844	1,133	5,509	10,800
Nov.	1,018	1,140	1,120	1,119	6,696	11,093
Dec.	1,028	836	1,368	904	5,739	9,875

(a) Excluding mortgages to trading banks to secure overdrafts on current accounts.



Period	Deposits			Advances	Ratio of Advances to Total Deposits
	Not Bearing Interest	Bearing Interest	Total		
	£'000				%
1951-52	329,228	94,332	423,560	228,971	54.06
1952-53	321,396	83,297	404,693	224,091	55.37
1953-54	353,742	90,784	444,526	218,046	49.05
1954-55	367,752	105,717	473,469	249,129	52.62
1955-56	370,587	104,128	474,715	262,672	55.33
1956-57	365,878	111,249	477,127	246,724	51.71
1957-58	375,730	128,772	504,502	251,302	49.81
1958-59	371,873	143,598	515,471	262,590	50.94
1959-60	396,556	151,256	547,812	268,836	49.07
1960-61	384,803	167,826	552,629	313,892	56.80
1960 -					
Aug.	386,684	160,825	547,509	316,959	57.89
Sep.	387,748	158,818	546,566	322,823	59.06
Oct.	389,015	161,990	551,005	324,831	58.95
Nov.	398,139	162,113	560,252	324,886	57.99
1961 -					
Aug.	346,199	199,034	545,233	301,371	55.27
Sep.	349,647	204,168	553,815	297,902	53.79
Oct.	354,746	208,349	563,095	299,309	53.15
Nov.	365,766	209,162	574,928	295,038	51.32

(a) Banks specified in the Banking Act, 1959 (Banking Act 1945-53 prior to 14th January, 1960) and the Commonwealth Trading Bank of Australia.

CHEQUE PAYING BANKS (a) - DEBITS TO CUSTOMERS' ACCOUNTS : VICTORIA  
(Excluding Debits to Australian Government Accounts at City Branches)  
(Weekly Averages £ Mill.)

Period	1955-56	1956-57	1957-58	1958-59	1959-60	1960-61	1961-62
July	183.8	185.0	204.6	219.7	251.2	286.0	297.7
August	167.3	165.1	184.0	194.9	228.6	297.4	270.1
September	169.3	183.5	196.6	206.9	247.6	271.4	284.0
October	183.8	192.3	210.5	224.4	262.7	293.9	292.4
November	196.1	194.3	212.5	225.6	265.1	291.9	287.9
December	205.2	202.8	242.8	253.4	298.0	308.3	
January	172.2	188.0	173.5	176.8	227.4	259.0	
February	184.0	206.2	201.9	244.6	260.8	272.0	
March	191.1	207.1	212.5	235.0	273.2	282.4	
April	190.2	210.4	216.5	223.0	266.2	263.7	
May	199.2	214.6	218.2	247.1	291.7	289.5	
June	181.0	201.7	216.9	240.1	292.5	272.3	

(a) Includes all cheque paying banks and, in addition, the Rural Credits Department of the Reserve Bank and the Commonwealth Development Bank (Mortgage Bank and Industrial Finance Departments of the Commonwealth Bank, prior to 14th January, 1960).

Period	Number of Operative Accounts - All Savings Banks (b)	Depositors' Balances				
		State Savings Bank	Commonwealth Savings Bank	Other Savings Banks	All Savings Banks	Per Head of Population
	'000					£
1953-54	2,119	245,607	94,174	..	339,781	138.6
1954-55	2,154	260,151	104,597	..	364,748	144.6
1955-56	2,234	264,317	110,215	11,644	386,176	148.2
1956-57	2,320	266,276	114,542	30,751	411,569	153.9
1957-58	2,437	272,807	117,805	43,019	433,631	158.2
1958-59	2,565	281,296	122,577	54,581	458,454	162.9
1959-60	2,692	298,107	131,243	70,242	499,592	173.7
1960-61	2,822	308,244	133,672	75,552	517,468	175.2
1960 -						
Sep.	2,704	304,930	133,790	73,500	512,220	177.1
Oct.	2,717	309,060	135,285	74,519	518,864	179.4
Nov.	2,729	308,274	134,760	75,035	518,069	179.2
1961 -						
Sep.	2,836	318,840	137,199	78,348	534,387	181.0
Oct.	2,854	319,221	136,939	80,971	537,131	183.3
Nov.	2,869	319,692	136,958	83,687	540,337	184.4

(a) At end of period.

(b) Excluding school bank accounts.

## COMPANIES REGISTERED : VICTORIA

Period	New Companies				Number of Existing Companies (a)	
	Number Registered		Nominal Capital		Victorian	Other
	Victorian	Other	Victorian	Other		
				£'000		
1953-54	r 1,301	108	69,515	22,307	14,439	1,277
1954-55	r 1,725	127	112,723	81,498	15,627	1,354
1955-56	r 2,106	152	83,371	117,389	17,702	1,483
1956-57	r 2,200	138	118,239	45,590	19,531	1,591
1957-58	r 2,646	191	130,914	87,125	21,662	1,751
1958-59	r 3,146	211	140,827	151,759	24,525	1,906
1959-60	r 4,171	248	218,781	145,273	28,340	2,114
1960-61	r 3,859	257	230,032	99,676	32,146	2,318
1960 -						
Sep.	297	31	21,569	12,849	29,575	2,179
Oct.	325	23	15,053	8,197	29,900	2,196
Nov.	364	26	15,864	11,014	30,264	2,218
Dec.	315	27	43,076	7,834	30,579	2,245
1961 -						
Sep.	201	19	10,608	2,540	32,996	2,361
Oct.	215	31	4,893	2,557	33,211	2,384
Nov.	249	18	16,659	5,197	33,460	2,396
Dec.	223	25	6,506	5,457	33,682	2,417

Source : Registrar-General.

(a) At end of period.



Period	Number of Agreements Made	Total Value of Goods (b) (£'000)	Amount Financed (c)		Average Proportion of Sale Financed(c) (Per Cent)	Balances Outstanding at End of Period (d) (£'000)
			Total (£'000)	Average per Agreement (£)		
MOTOR VEHICLES, TRACTORS, ETC.						
1958-59	104,051	78,358	49,477	476	63.1	)
1959-60	123,308	96,346	63,566	516	66.0	
1960-61	86,067	71,992	46,994	546	65.3	
1960 -						) (e)
Jan.	9,642	6,947	4,597	477	66.2	
Feb.	9,906	7,579	4,994	504	65.9	
Mar.	11,151	8,737	5,744	515	65.7	
Apr.	9,064	7,284	4,913	542	67.4	
May	9,795	7,779	5,208	532	66.9	
June	9,875	7,839	5,278	534	67.3	
1961 -						)
Jan.	5,360	4,878	3,116	581	63.9	
Feb.	4,566	3,968	2,511	550	63.3	
Mar.	5,647	4,810	3,133	555	65.1	
Apr.	5,610	4,718	3,013	537	63.9	
May	5,957	4,925	3,207	538	65.1	
June	5,120	4,042	2,582	504	63.9	)
PLANT AND MACHINERY						
1958-59	9,072	5,521	3,528	389	63.9	)
1959-60	9,061	6,793	4,565	504	67.2	
1960-61	9,012	8,011	5,296	588	66.1	
1960 -						) (e)
Jan.	657	501	339	516	67.7	
Feb.	686	512	338	493	66.0	
Mar.	847	776	535	632	68.9	
Apr.	627	551	372	593	67.5	
May	698	522	354	507	67.8	
June	687	673	461	671	68.5	
1961 -						)
Jan.	674	631	412	611	65.3	
Feb.	496	483	302	609	62.5	
Mar.	643	604	392	610	64.9	
Apr.	481	387	258	536	66.7	
May	594	567	362	609	63.8	
June	497	435	284	571	65.3	)

- (a) The statistics on this and the following page relate to businesses which finance the sale of goods by retail, but do not retail goods themselves.
- (b) Value at net cash or list price (excluding hiring charges and insurance).
- (c) Excludes hiring charges and insurance.
- (d) Includes hiring charges and insurance.
- (e) Separate details are not available. See "TOTAL (ALL GOODS)" on page 17 for total balances outstanding.
- (f) Preliminary estimate only.

Period	Number of Agreements Made	Total Value of Goods (b) (£'000)	Amount Financed (c)		Average Proportion of Sale Financed(c) (Per Cent)	Balances Outstanding at End of Period (d) (£'000)
			Total (£'000)	Average per Agreement (£)		
HOUSEHOLD AND PERSONAL GOODS						
1958-59	183,455	22,902	18,747	102	81.9	}
1959-60	180,421	20,085	16,476	91	82.0	
1960-61	134,983	16,062	13,127	97	81.7	
1960 -						
Jan.	16,286	1,667	1,382	85	82.9	} (e)
Feb.	14,276	1,567	1,290	90	82.3	
Mar.	14,739	1,681	1,401	95	83.3	
Apr.	12,317	1,388	1,147	93	82.6	
May	15,054	1,761	1,454	97	82.6	
June	13,691	1,714	1,405	103	82.0	
1961 -						
Jan.	11,763	1,384	1,156	98	83.5	}
Feb.	9,794	1,222	993	101	81.3	
Mar.	8,586	1,064	873	102	82.0	
Apr.	7,641	973	785	103	80.7	
May	8,575	1,100	885	103	80.5	
June	7,598	912	734	97	80.5	
TOTAL (ALL GOODS)						
1958-59	296,578	106,781	71,752	242	67.2	100,193
1959-60	312,790	123,224	84,607	270	68.7	118,493
1960-61	230,062	96,065	65,417	284	68.1	
1960 -						
Jan.	26,585	9,115	6,318	238	69.3	112,759
Feb.	24,868	9,658	6,622	266	68.6	113,772
Mar.	26,737	11,194	7,680	287	68.6	116,009
Apr.	22,008	9,223	6,432	292	69.7	115,948
May	25,547	10,062	7,016	275	69.7	116,849
June	24,253	10,226	7,144	295	69.9	118,493
1961 -						
Jan.	17,797	6,893	4,684	263	68.0	120,530
Feb.	14,856	5,673	3,806	256	67.1	117,992
Mar.	14,876	6,478	4,398	296	67.9	114,556
Apr.	13,732	6,078	4,056	295	66.7	112,850
May	15,126	6,592	4,454	294	67.6	110,530
June	13,215	5,389	3,600	272	66.8	106,911
July						104,951(f)
Aug.						102,979(f)
Sept.						101,080(f)
Oct.						99,902(f)
Nov.						99,748(f)



VALUE OF RETAIL SALES BY COMMODITY GROUPS : VICTORIA  
(£ Mill.)

Period	Food- stuffs (a)	Beer, Wine, and Spirits	Clothing, Drapery, and Foot- wear	Hardware (b)	Elec- trical Goods (c)	Other Goods (d)	Total (Excl. Motor Vehicles, etc.)	Motor Vehicles, Parts, Petrol, etc. (e)
1951-52	145.7	41.9	99.7	29.4	21.8	116.2	454.7	117.0
1952-53	163.2	45.6	100.2	30.3	20.9	115.7	475.9	108.7
1953-54	173.3	50.1	112.5	33.1	23.9	121.6	514.5	124.5
1954-55	195.8	53.8	116.5	37.0	26.8	130.5	560.4	146.2
1955-56	212.2	59.0	121.8	39.1	30.0	144.9	607.0	164.6
1956-57	226.5	63.5	127.1	40.3	35.3	151.7	644.4	167.5
1957-58	231.1	65.7	133.8	41.4	43.1	154.8	669.9	188.4
1958-59	246.9	68.2	139.8	45.6	50.5	161.8	712.8	197.4
1959-60	268.9	71.2	153.8	47.2	52.0	181.9	775.0	243.4
1960-61	295.2	74.0	159.0	48.7	50.4	189.9	817.2	244.7
1957 -								
Sep. Qr.	56.3	14.9	30.8	9.9	9.7	36.9	158.5	43.1
Dec. Qr.	59.7	18.0	38.7	11.9	12.0	44.8	185.1	50.0
1958 -								
Mar. Qr.	56.9	17.1	28.5	10.0	10.5	36.2	159.2	46.8
June Qr.	58.2	15.7	35.8	9.6	10.9	36.9	167.1	48.5
Sep. Qr.	59.8	15.4	33.0	10.9	13.0	38.8	170.9	47.8
Dec. Qr.	63.2	18.1	40.8	13.2	14.7	45.6	195.6	52.7
1959 -								
Mar. Qr.	61.7	18.4	29.0	10.6	11.3	37.3	168.3	47.2
June Qr.	62.2	16.3	37.0	10.9	11.5	40.1	178.0	49.7
Sep. Qr.	64.1	16.2	34.8	11.2	12.3	42.2	180.8	55.2
Dec. Qr.	69.2	19.4	44.8	13.4	14.7	51.2	212.7	65.6
1960 -								
Mar. Qr.	66.0	18.5	32.0	11.4	12.3	43.1	183.3	58.3
June Qr.	69.6	17.1	42.2	11.2	12.7	45.4	198.2	64.3
Sep. Qr.	71.5	16.9	38.0	11.8	13.0	47.0	198.2	67.4
Dec. Qr.	77.2	20.6	47.1	14.1	14.7	55.3	229.0	69.0
1961 -								
Mar. Qr.	73.4	19.7	32.6	11.5	11.8	43.6	192.6	53.7
June Qr.	73.1	16.8	41.3	11.3	10.9	44.0	197.4	54.6
Sep. Qr.	74.9	17.0	37.2	11.8	11.6	46.0	198.5	53.2

- (a) Includes groceries, butchers' meat, fresh fruit and vegetables, confectionery, soft drinks, ice cream, cakes, pastry, cooked provisions, fish, etc., but excludes some delivered milk and bread.
- (b) Excludes basic building materials (e.g. timber, roofing tiles, bricks).
- (c) Includes radios, television and accessories, musical instruments, domestic refrigerators, etc..
- (d) Includes furniture, tobacco, newspapers, books and stationery, chemists' goods, grain and produce, jewellery, office equipment, etc..
- (e) Excludes farm machinery and implements, earth-moving equipment, etc..

NOTE : All figures from September, 1957 are subject to revision.

VALUE OF OVERSEA TRADE : VICTORIA AND AUSTRALIA  
(£'000 f.o.b.)

19.

Period	Victoria			Australia		
	Imports	Exports	Excess of Exports	Imports	Exports	Excess of Exports
1951-52	363,193	185,994	-177,199	1,053,423	675,008	-378,415
1952-53	173,775	228,118	54,343	514,109	871,272	357,163
1953-54	237,683	203,581	- 34,102	681,609	828,332	146,723
1954-55	297,494	216,572	- 80,922	843,742	774,164	- 69,578
1955-56	299,340	209,396	- 89,944	821,088	781,864	- 39,224
1956-57	254,946	255,752	806	718,991	992,906	273,915
1957-58	282,713	218,373	- 64,340	791,940	817,946	26,006
1958-59	291,297	219,551	- 71,746	796,599	811,463	14,864
1959-60	339,349	244,070	- 95,279	926,393	937,682	11,289
1960-61	399,972	246,971	-153,001	1,087,577	968,843	-118,734
1958 -						
June	23,151	15,966	- 7,185	63,474	54,615	- 8,859
July	21,949	16,256	- 5,693	64,228	61,547	- 2,681
Aug.	28,093	12,708	- 15,385	72,954	47,567	- 25,387
Sep.	21,864	12,438	- 9,426	65,694	56,252	- 9,442
Oct.	24,056	18,627	- 5,429	65,655	75,096	9,441
Nov.	25,754	17,666	- 8,088	67,522	66,354	- 1,168
1959 -						
June	27,295	19,448	- 7,847	69,546	70,841	1,295
July	24,671	17,369	- 7,302	70,848	66,662	- 4,186
Aug.	26,663	14,855	- 11,808	70,933	63,940	- 6,993
Sep.	21,920	15,409	- 6,511	63,902	69,326	5,424
Oct.	26,978	21,381	- 5,597	74,063	83,955	9,892
Nov.	26,694	22,468	- 4,226	74,321	87,426	13,105
1960 -						
June	33,803	20,780	- 13,023	90,050	78,352	- 11,698
July	31,370	17,738	- 13,632	88,956	66,509	- 22,447
Aug.	38,576	11,895	- 26,681	103,462	66,276	- 37,186
Sep.	30,344	12,765	- 17,579	88,101	64,571	- 23,530
Oct.	38,114	16,860	- 21,254	100,215	69,111	- 31,104
Nov.	29,667	r 17,257	r- 12,410	r 89,762	r 95,073	r 5,311
1961 -						
June	27,597	27,221	- 376	74,926	97,744	22,818
July	r 25,159	r 20,653	r- 4,506	r 69,923	r 87,514	r 17,591
Aug.	r 25,494	r 21,044	r- 4,450	r 73,244	r 78,375	r 5,131
Sep.	r 22,348	r 19,005	r- 3,343	r 67,415	r 83,858	r 16,443
Oct.	24,703	28,173	3,470	r 68,907	98,955	r 30,048
Nov.	23,226	29,908	6,682	70,299	102,714	32,415

r : Revised.

NOTE : Minus sign (-) denotes excess of imports.

All figures from December, 1960 are subject to revision.



## VICTORIAN RAILWAYS

(Excluding Electric Tramways and Road Motor  
Services under the Control of the Railway Commissioners)

Period	Traffic Train Mileage	No. of Passenger Journeys	Goods Carried (Excl. Livestock)	Live- stock Carried	Earnings (a)	Working Expenses (b)	Excess of Earnings Over Working Expenses
	'000		'000 tons			£'000	
1952-53	17,690	162,857	8,580	612	31,864	34,008	- 2,144
1953-54	18,303	166,106	8,622	579	35,707	35,951	- 244
1954-55	18,740	169,204	9,508	575	37,667	37,032	635
1955-56	18,635	166,708	9,127	480	37,032	38,026	- 994
1956-57	18,544	167,405	8,935	445	37,352	39,118	- 1,766
1957-58	18,353	167,662	8,385	507	35,954	38,174	- 2,220
1958-59	18,426	163,484	8,840	455	37,907	38,123	- 216
1959-60	18,282	158,294	9,281	407	39,189	39,557	- 368
1960-61	18,232	149,929	10,685	292	42,987	41,627	1,360
1958 -							
May	1,576	14,301	782	29	3,087	3,253	- 166
June	1,439	14,773	693	31	2,890	3,022	- 132
July	1,546	13,626	750	35	2,979	3,346	- 367
Aug.	1,521	13,776	708	29	3,005	3,144	- 139
Sep.	1,506	15,332	676	47	3,154	3,038	116
Oct.	1,587	13,593	729	51	3,351	3,280	71
1959 -							
May	1,582	13,540	790	31	3,199	3,387	- 188
June	1,538	14,280	723	30	3,103	3,378	- 275
July	1,553	13,415	750	33	3,164	3,474	- 310
Aug.	1,510	14,457	670	32	3,071	3,247	- 176
Sep.	1,546	14,104	726	46	3,347	3,208	139
Oct.	1,623	15,283	740	56	3,249	3,279	- 30
1960 -							
May	1,466	15,016	858	24	3,438	3,541	- 103
June	1,442	11,322	880	19	3,273	3,206	67
July	1,411	12,834	819	19	3,300	3,341	- 41
Aug.	1,491	12,320	885	22	3,528	3,655	- 127
Sep.	1,444	15,272	821	27	3,566	3,333	233
Oct.	1,467	12,448	812	36	3,555	3,311	244
1961 -							
May	1,622	14,353	964	29	3,825	3,685	140
June	1,555	12,385	825	18	3,230	4,073	- 843
July	1,550	14,105	799	23	3,453	3,436	17
Aug.	1,590	11,362	851	23	3,486	3,679	- 193
Sep.	1,534	15,689	794	23	3,607	3,543	64
Oct.	1,599	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	3,664	3,577	87

Source : Victorian Railways Department.

(a) Excludes grants from consolidated revenue.

(b) Including cost of pensions and pay-roll tax.

n.a. Not available.

NOTE : Minus sign (-) denotes excess of working expenses over earnings.

CARGO DISCHARGED AND SHIPPED AT VICTORIAN PORTS  
( '000 Tons )

21.

Period	Cargo Discharged				Cargo Shipped			
	Oversea		Interstate		Oversea		Interstate	
	Weight	Measure- ment	Weight	Measure- ment	Weight	Measure- ment	Weight	Measure- ment
1950-51	3,102	1,489	1,868	210	1,250	418	449	239
1951-52	3,093	1,725	2,128	243	1,040	372	444	297
1952-53	2,474	630	2,275	189	1,016	505	404	263
1953-54	2,871	943	2,216	344	856	493	462	423
1954-55	3,938	1,286	2,223	354	1,264	556	883	423
1955-56	4,679	1,306	2,469	369	1,359	550	1,193	372
1956-57	4,665	949	2,412	307	1,467	514	1,164	388
1957-58	4,810	1,032	2,505	339	1,093	541	1,371	365
1958-59	4,923	983	2,740	343	1,618	528	1,110	383
1959-60	5,392	1,228	2,519	491	1,503	532	1,371	537
1960-61	5,707	1,601	2,294	611	2,135	515	1,479	529
1958 -								
May	423	95	202	48	98	74	97	31
June	361	99	242	29	98	60	139	27
July	482	63	219	19	82	49	109	29
Aug.	394	110	223	15	108	40	91	29
Sep.	367	73	263	31	84	50	134	18
Oct.	439	91	212	37	99	42	63	45
1959 -								
May	334	84	266	27	119	61	101	36
June	454	79	310	23	154	49	71	32
July	409	94	277	32	130	42	132	46
Aug.	471	108	231	35	91	48	105	36
Sep.	427	77	232	35	118	39	122	33
Oct.	473	94	253	39	98	52	120	52
1960 -								
May	441	111	193	44	113	62	106	46
June	481	122	230	57	95	39	137	46
July	524	122	220	43	139	44	123	43
Aug.	419	165	214	41	64	34	98	43
Sep.	450	115	203	37	133	43	139	49
Oct.	535	132	206	54	120	48	125	53
1961 -								
May	459	73	192	45	234	58	100	50
June	477	102	197	43	202	45	118	39
July	481	64	196	27	202	42	117	34
Aug.	519	80	238	36	274	34	130	39
Sep.	632	67	194	29	335	42	85	44
Oct.	485	117	270	38	277	40	135	50



## REGISTRATION OF NEW MOTOR VEHICLES (a) : VICTORIA

Period	Cars (b)	Station Wagons	Utilities	Panel Vans	Other (c)	Total Excluding Motor Cycles	Motor Cycles (d)
1952-53	26,377	397	6,618	1,146	3,694	38,232	1,205*
1953-54	33,708	671	6,673	1,474	3,652	46,178	2,358
1954-55	46,728	800	8,553	2,586	4,768	63,435	2,363
1955-56	48,496	1,167	8,899	3,414	5,256	67,232	2,244
1956-57	42,701	1,161	7,386	3,001	4,319	58,568	1,963
1957-58	45,948	3,897	7,592	3,954	3,962	65,353	2,142
1958-59	45,058	7,868	7,114	5,201	4,421	69,662	2,280
1959-60	57,410	12,787	7,124	5,106	5,007	87,434	2,220
1960-61	52,515	14,485	6,094	3,476	5,234	81,804	1,356
1958 -							
July	3,468	623	592	375	315	5,373	119
Aug.	3,557	600	527	356	324	5,364	160
Sep.	3,663	582	538	386	314	5,483	265
Oct.	4,231	630	628	468	443	6,400	229
Nov.	4,234	622	625	442	388	6,311	187
Dec.	4,113	619	667	485	382	6,266	221
1959 -							
July	3,964	796	647	491	365	6,263	146
Aug.	4,264	925	569	549	367	6,674	152
Sep.	4,363	1,055	512	606	387	6,923	168
Oct.	5,426	1,287	685	555	469	8,422	184
Nov.	5,220	901	579	486	356	7,542	167
Dec.	6,090	1,161	772	492	447	8,962	229
1960 -							
July	4,932	1,313	533	340	514	7,632	121
Aug.	5,705	1,411	641	408	542	8,707	148
Sep.	5,060	1,137	488	338	521	7,544	150
Oct.	6,674	1,541	574	361	572	9,722	179
Nov.	5,872	1,467	539	307	467	8,652	105
Dec.	4,230	1,286	498	294	456	6,764	109
1961 -							
July	2,777	800	406	177	298	4,458	48
Aug.	3,566	1,012	383	211	323	5,495	53
Sep.	3,229	950	328	201	299	5,007	45
Oct.	3,860	1,286	435	264	352	6,197	92
Nov.	4,041	1,424	428	275	375	6,543	48
Dec.	3,392	1,229	412	226	336	5,595	73

(a) Excludes defence service vehicles, but includes other Commonwealth-owned vehicles.

(b) Includes ambulances and hearses.

(c) Includes trucks, omnibuses, etc..

(d) Includes motor scooters.

\* First 6 months of 1953.

NOTE : Between 1st February, 1955, and 30th June, 1959, figures include extra-metropolitan registrations for month prior to that indicated.

ROAD TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS : VICTORIA  
ACCIDENTS INVOLVING CASUALTIES AS REPORTED BY THE POLICE

23.

Period	City of Melbourne (a)			Metropolitan Area Excluding City of Melbourne		
	Accidents Involving Casualties	No. of Persons Killed	No. of Persons Injured	Accidents Involving Casualties	No. of Persons Killed	No. of Persons Injured
1952-53	1,310	42	1,525	4,740	173	5,579
1953-54	1,142	38	1,326	4,971	186	5,917
1954-55	1,108	38	1,282	5,110	203	6,035
1955-56	1,075	26	1,225	5,248	192	6,307
1956-57	1,074	25	1,287	5,398	205	6,621
1957-58	1,098	29	1,314	5,501	187	6,881
1958-59	1,021	41	1,229	6,967	240	8,799
1959-60	1,143	30	1,386	6,892	283	8,780
1960-61	1,079	41	1,396	6,945	326	9,065
1959 -						
Dec. Qr.	284	5	350	1,786	64	2,311
1960 -						
Mar. Qr.	206	5	252	1,394	65	1,854
June Qr.	313	12	381	1,899	94	2,404
Dec. Qr.	266	10	351	1,767	81	2,353
1961 -						
Mar. Qr.	238	9	321	1,494	62	1,988
June Qr.	282	11	351	1,815	94	2,315
Period	Outside Metropolitan Area			Total - Victoria		
	Accidents Involving Casualties	No. of Persons Killed	No. of Persons Injured	Accidents Involving Casualties	No. of Persons Killed	No. of Persons Injured
1952-53	4,048	300	5,460	10,098	515	12,564
1953-54	4,424	345	6,108	10,537	569	13,351
1954-55	3,999	287	5,516	10,217	528	12,833
1955-56	4,283	364	5,951	10,606	582	13,483
1956-57	4,332	359	6,212	10,804	589	14,120
1957-58	4,634	355	6,820	11,233	571	15,015
1958-59	4,474	380	6,756	12,462	661	16,784
1959-60	4,232	385	6,429	12,267	698	16,595
1960-61	4,116	406	6,296	12,140	773	16,757
1959 -						
Dec. Qr.	1,133	112	1,706	3,203	181	4,367
1960 -						
Mar. Qr.	1,046	89	1,675	2,646	159	3,781
June Qr.	1,062	110	1,633	3,274	216	4,418
Dec. Qr.	1,040	104	1,583	3,073	195	4,287
1961 -						
Mar. Qr.	1,113	117	1,773	2,845	188	4,082
June Qr.	1,031	95	1,539	3,128	200	4,205

(a) Municipality of Melbourne.



LIFE ASSURANCE : VICTORIA  
NEW POLICIES ISSUED AND POLICIES MATURED OR OTHERWISE DISCONTINUED  
(Excluding Annuities)

Period	New Policies Issued				Policies Matured, etc. (a)			
	Ordinary Department		Industrial Department		Ordinary Department		Industrial Department	
	Number	Sum Assured	Number	Sum Assured	Number	Sum Assured	Number	Sum Assured
		£'000		£'000		£'000		£'000
1950-51	79,383	57,935	81,840	8,645	34,032	16,868	66,807	4,642
1951-52	85,012	71,292	82,349	9,747	33,800	19,921	71,841	5,008
1952-53	82,749	67,812	82,851	10,306	35,506	22,069	78,999	5,752
1953-54	80,720	73,336	70,876	9,399	42,399	28,545	81,985	6,293
1954-55	75,958	90,370	62,569	9,145	42,950	28,729	85,495	6,621
1955-56	81,240	104,646	57,860	9,020	46,090	38,693	86,939	7,094
1956-57	80,963	124,034	57,358	9,009	48,526	35,968	85,866	7,510
1957-58	83,699	155,042	56,678	9,247	52,379	47,589	87,250	7,500
1958-59	87,351	163,523	52,053	9,007	53,009	52,115	83,752	7,868
1959-60	113,257	227,588	52,111	9,608	71,653	63,420	85,201	7,996
1960-61	122,315	281,818	50,104	12,977	128,155	98,339	95,221	9,213
1958 -								
May	7,276	11,933	5,197	836	4,429	3,853	6,617	587
June	7,342	16,901	5,537	942	4,386	3,971	9,318	819
July	8,410	13,797	4,937	821	4,744	4,040	6,668	563
Aug.	7,832	12,361	4,534	788	4,585	4,264	7,121	584
Sep.	8,821	19,635	5,836	971	4,071	4,211	7,111	615
Oct.	6,818	12,468	4,505	772	4,538	4,274	7,469	683
1959 -								
May	8,343	15,671	4,721	823	4,556	4,536	6,724	669
June	8,789	15,213	5,016	909	5,877	5,652	8,836	850
July	8,478	17,960	4,278	760	5,094	4,615	7,444	673
Aug.	8,936	17,521	5,443	966	4,975	5,349	8,374	752
Sep.	12,442	20,681	4,811	860	7,120	6,195	5,978	481
Oct.	7,828	15,955	4,961	898	3,999	4,480	7,826	736
1960 -								
May	12,083	21,431	4,615	891	12,306	6,276	9,077	860
June	10,507	20,276	4,967	960	6,358	6,084	7,506	661
July	12,598	24,025	4,233	832	6,117	5,608	5,137	491
Aug.	12,477	21,928	6,132	1,464	18,456	6,151	8,822	768
Sep.	15,165	38,866	4,476	1,130	16,644	9,501	8,795	737
Oct.	10,397	20,102	4,484	1,134	5,872	7,252	10,343	964
1961 -								
May	11,137	20,611	5,130	1,298	8,068	9,262	8,688	888
June	10,306	20,229	4,502	1,273	20,364	9,838	8,876	857
July	9,808	21,503	4,894	1,345	11,242	10,268	9,117	912
Aug.	10,455	24,637	4,454	1,119	18,970	12,558	7,316	689
Sep.	11,970	38,652	4,388	1,314	13,326	11,780	11,795	1,100
Oct.	8,119	18,184	4,012	1,114	6,816	7,603	8,520	873

(a) Includes policies which became due for payment on account of death or maturity, policies surrendered, and policies discontinued for other causes.

LIFE ASSURANCE : VICTORIA  
NEW LOANS GRANTED BY LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANIES  
 (Excluding Advances of Premiums)  
 (£'000)

Period	On Mortgage of Real Estate	On Companies' Policies	Other	Total
1950-51	13,187	763	1,111	15,061
1951-52	12,796	1,115	1,959	15,870
1952-53	6,362	1,108	1,427	8,897
1953-54	8,989	930	866	10,785
1954-55	12,781	1,108	674	14,563
1955-56	14,966	1,557	1,196	17,719
1956-57	15,859	1,690	1,997	19,546
1957-58	14,773	1,820	760	17,353
1958-59	16,525	2,189	622	19,336
1959-60	17,946	2,443	1,285	21,674
1960-61	21,845	3,813	1,806	27,464
1958 -				
May	1,591	151	2	1,744
June	952	184	5	1,141
July	1,198	185	30	1,413
Aug.	1,005	190	48	1,243
Sep.	1,388	169	54	1,611
Oct.	1,834	189	58	2,081
1959 -				
May	1,585	217	129	1,931
June	1,268	223	106	1,597
July	1,080	222	282	1,584
Aug.	1,245	195	66	1,506
Sep.	1,464	216	67	1,747
Oct.	1,551	212	117	1,880
1960 -				
May	2,140	237	65	2,442
June	1,470	251	122	1,843
July	1,471	241	542	2,254
Aug.	1,971	249	243	2,463
Sep.	3,309	265	226	3,800
Oct.	1,660	251	r 107	r 2,018
1961 -				
May	1,482	415	95	1,992
June	1,665	392	73	2,130
July	1,968	350	64	2,382
Aug.	1,064	313	78	1,455
Sep.	1,010	304	114	1,428
Oct.	1,043	296	11	1,350

r : Revised.



## POST OFFICE ACTIVITY : VICTORIA

Period	Gross Connections of Telephone Services			Television Viewers' Licences in Force (a)	Broadcast Listeners' Licences in Force (a)	Post Office Revenue (b)
	Metro.	Country	Total			£'000
			'000			
1951-52	21.1	10.6	31.7	—	520.4	17,341.0
1952-53	20.9	10.3	31.2	—	533.3	19,164.7
1953-54	22.8	9.6	32.4	—	545.2	20,118.0
1954-55	24.3	11.6	35.9	—	549.7	21,093.5
1955-56	28.4	12.1	40.5	—	554.3	22,910.4
1956-57	25.2	11.3	36.5	45.0	554.9	26,059.4
1957-58	30.4	12.6	43.0	147.7	558.0	27,649.9
1958-59	30.7	14.1	44.8	270.1	605.3	29,662.1
1959-60	33.4	14.5	47.9	353.1	606.6	35,275.7
1960-61	39.0	16.6	55.6	401.4	589.4	38,820.7
1958 -						
Aug.	2.8	1.1	3.9	177.7	562.2	2,349.4
Sep.	2.4	1.2	3.6	191.5	572.7	2,377.5
Oct.	2.7	1.1	3.8	204.3	584.1	2,742.2
Nov.	2.4	1.2	3.6	213.1	587.5	2,175.9
Dec.	1.9	1.1	3.0	222.2	590.2	2,807.6
1959 -						
Jan.	2.1	0.9	3.0	227.3	589.0	2,245.8
Aug.	2.9	1.2	4.1	284.2	600.2	2,473.1
Sep.	3.3	1.4	4.7	289.6	594.8	2,401.1
Oct.	3.0	1.2	4.2	296.3	594.0	2,747.2
Nov.	2.6	1.2	3.8	301.1	591.5	2,627.1
Dec.	2.8	1.4	4.2	307.9	593.4	3,266.6
1960 -						
Jan.	2.2	1.1	3.3	312.8	597.6	2,968.8
Aug.	3.3	1.7	5.0	370.2	612.0	3,471.0
Sep.	3.5	1.4	4.9	377.9	612.8	2,817.9
Oct.	6.7	1.5	8.2	381.5	607.5	3,140.2
Nov.	3.0	1.6	4.6	383.1	603.9	3,297.3
Dec.	2.8	1.2	4.0	384.4	603.3	3,618.4
1961 -						
Jan.	2.2	1.0	3.2	386.3	598.5	3,015.0
Aug.	3.9	1.5	5.4	410.9	584.0	3,570.7
Sep.	3.3	1.5	4.8	410.8	575.1	2,819.7
Oct.	4.0	1.5	5.5	417.6	578.9	3,404.1
Nov.	3.5	1.4	4.9	426.3	587.8	3,250.1
Dec.	3.3	1.5	4.8	429.5	590.9	3,585.6
1962 -						
Jan.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	3,183.6

Source : Postmaster-General's Department.

(a) At end of period.

(b) Excludes Radio and Television receipts.

n.a. Not available.

RAINFALL IN DISTRICTS : VICTORIA  
(Inches)

27.

Period	Mallee	Wimmera	Western	Northern Country	North Central	Central	North East	Gipps- land
1911-40 (a)	12.49	17.52	27.59	18.09	28.16	28.89	34.81	33.47
1955	17.68	22.44	32.40	26.00	35.99	34.12	49.05	33.86
1956	20.85	24.31	34.02	31.45	41.17	34.29	55.59	44.25
1957	9.67	14.87	26.82	13.55	23.01	24.85	27.32	31.98
1958	15.45	17.65	29.05	21.40	31.57	28.99	37.78	35.42
1959	9.97	15.16	24.46	16.56	26.09	26.53	27.69	33.63
1960	18.08	24.75	36.01	22.70	38.45	34.98	40.16	37.26
1961	13.44	15.07	24.03	14.90	25.27	22.90	27.60	33.04
1911-40 (b)								
Jan.	0.68	0.74	1.19	1.04	1.37	1.66	1.83	2.49
Feb.	1.02	1.14	1.57	1.27	1.73	1.87	2.01	2.33
Mar.	0.65	0.79	1.59	1.16	1.72	2.22	2.22	2.68
Apr.	0.82	1.18	2.15	1.33	2.12	2.41	2.48	2.74
May	1.23	1.77	2.69	1.68	2.58	2.41	3.05	2.65
June	1.32	1.97	2.89	2.06	3.18	2.67	4.26	3.05
July	1.23	1.97	2.91	1.85	3.02	2.47	3.82	2.86
Aug.	1.24	1.94	3.19	1.84	3.11	2.71	4.03	2.90
Sep.	1.27	2.00	2.97	1.82	2.83	2.78	3.27	2.93
Oct.	1.22	1.51	2.50	1.65	2.52	2.90	3.20	3.25
Nov.	0.86	1.22	2.11	1.13	1.94	2.43	2.23	2.74
Dec.	0.95	1.29	1.83	1.26	2.04	2.36	2.41	2.85
1961 -								
Jan.	0.24	0.14	0.39	0.62	1.09	0.77	1.10	1.24
Feb.	0.46	0.61	0.62	0.59	1.05	1.30	0.86	1.34
Mar.	1.00	0.71	1.11	1.81	2.41	2.28	1.82	4.84
Apr.	1.83	2.83	4.41	1.95	3.46	2.65	3.42	2.46
May.	0.28	0.59	1.82	0.51	1.20	2.03	0.90	2.53
June.	0.67	1.48	2.89	1.50	3.56	2.83	3.37	3.26
July	1.40	2.07	3.21	1.56	3.28	2.73	3.60	4.99
Aug.	1.04	0.92	2.60	1.66	2.42	3.06	3.52	3.03
Sep.	1.51	1.27	1.72	1.19	0.97	0.93	1.48	2.84
Oct.	0.52	1.34	2.05	0.85	2.23	1.95	2.29	2.56
Nov.	2.38	1.08	1.24	1.15	1.55	0.97	2.46	1.64
Dec.	2.11	2.03	1.97	1.51	2.05	1.40	2.78	2.31
1962 -								
Jan.	2.11	0.98	0.79	3.09	2.77	1.85	3.52	3.87

Source : Commonwealth Bureau of Meteorology.

(a) Average rainfall per year over a standard 30 year's period.

(b) Average rainfall per month over a standard 30 year's period.



Period	Wool Sold			Amount Realized				Average Price of
	Greasy and Scoured			Mel- bourne	Geelong	Albury and Ballarat	Total	Greasy Wool at Auction in Victoria (Including Albury)
	Mel- bourne	Geelong	Albury and Ballarat					
	'000 bales			£'000				pence per lb.
1950-51	570.8	279.6	126.9	103,025	55,495	21,347	179,867	150.74
1951-52	576.6	308.6	114.3	46,987	28,194	8,960	84,141	68.65
1952-53	626.2	335.6	131.4	59,334	35,857	11,659	106,850	79.10
1953-54	577.1	306.8	124.0	55,438	32,946	11,370	99,754	82.24
1954-55	617.2	359.3	135.5	53,895	34,137	11,233	99,265	73.37
1955-56	669.5	382.7	142.7	50,538	30,877	10,139	91,554	62.22
1956-57	761.6	442.6	157.2	72,751	45,761	13,890	132,402	79.87
1957-58	679.9	448.5	123.7	51,648	36,649	9,226	97,523	63.82
1958-59	738.9	437.9	148.7	44,970	28,010	8,947	81,927	49.89
1959-60	784.2	480.7	151.1	56,685	37,603	10,868	105,156	60.11
1960-61	780.1	480.4	129.5	51,577	35,488	6,535	93,600	53.66
1960-61 July-Dec.	374.3	176.2	71.9	23,647	13,553	2,999	40,199	51.21
1961-62 July-Dec.	393.1	198.1	91.7	27,469	14,637	6,297	48,403	56.30
1960 - July	7.6	0.1	..	433	3	..	436	45.56
Aug.	38.8	..	..	2,296	..	..	2,296	45.44
Sep.	86.4	..	23.5	5,318	1,433	..	6,751	48.50
Oct.	70.5	76.7	22.7	4,385	5,042	1,374	10,801	50.74
Nov.	108.9	49.0	24.5	7,187	3,536	1,550	12,273	53.45
Dec.	62.1	50.4	1.2	4,028	3,539	75	7,642	53.32
1961 - Jan.	65.6	49.5	23.0	4,339	3,400	1,428	9,167	53.17
Feb.	66.6	49.6	..	4,685	3,583	..	8,268	57.34
Mar.	47.9	50.6	25.9	3,332	3,617	1,643	8,592	55.62
Apr.	66.5	49.2	..	4,905	3,642	..	8,547	59.38
May	98.9	91.4	..	6,859	6,925	..	13,784	57.62
June	60.3	13.9	8.7	3,810	768	465	5,043	48.02
July	0.2	..	..	7	..	..	7	64.50
Aug.	62.6	..	..	4,468	..	..	4,468	55.11
Sep.	70.5	16.9	25.1	5,032	1,200	1,767	7,999	56.30
Oct.	98.0	83.4	22.1	6,840	6,184	1,517	14,541	56.57
Nov.	98.1	48.8	23.1	6,839	3,675	1,603	12,117	57.06
Dec.	63.7	49.0	21.4	4,283	3,578	1,410	9,271	55.50

Source : National Council of Wool Selling Brokers.